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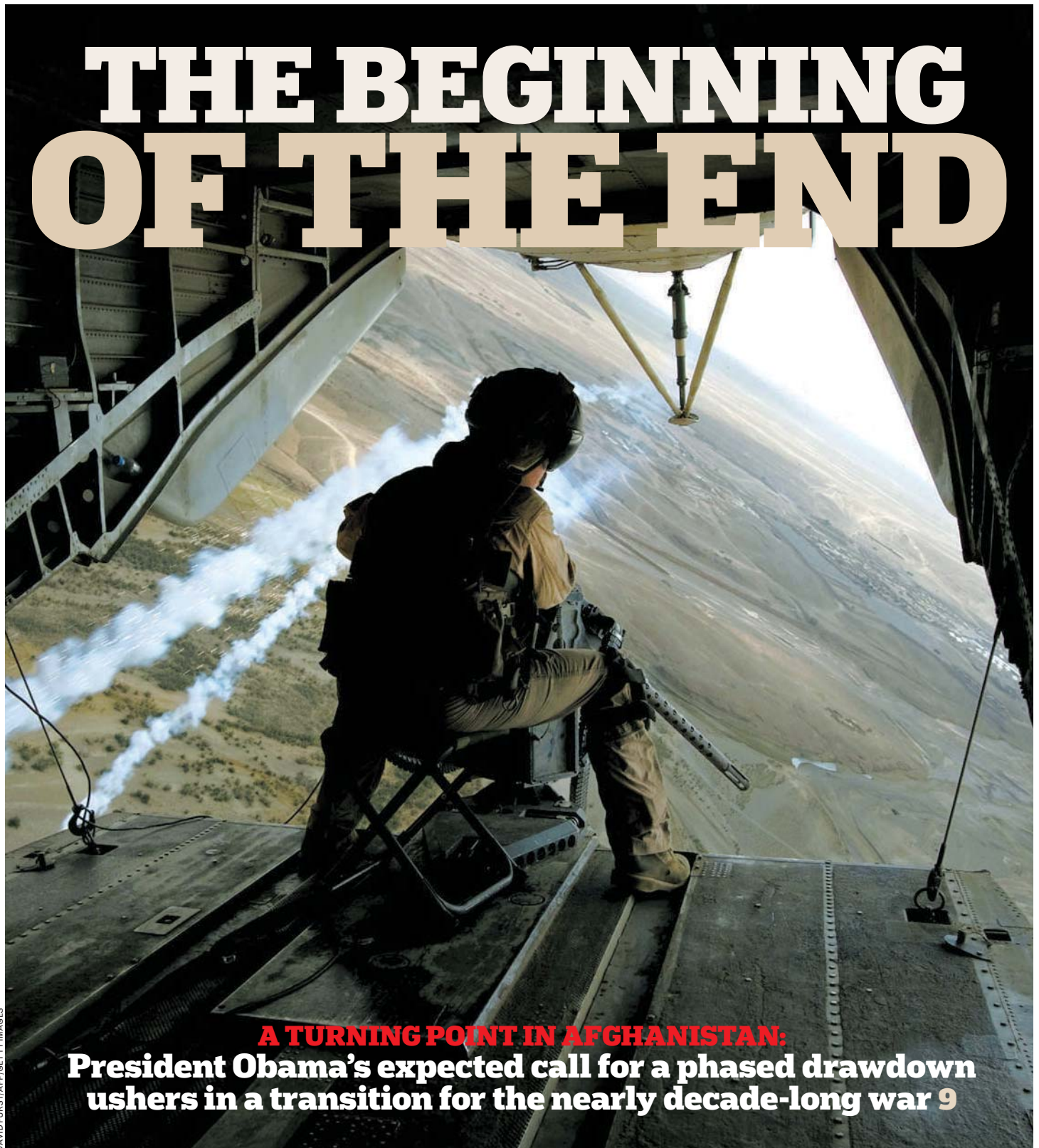
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Plan B Is To Hold Her Breath Until Debts Magically Vanish

The mayor of Harrisburg, Pa., is vowing to go on a three-day fast she hopes will unite citizens and leaders in the face of a financial crisis. Mayor Linda Thompson says she'll begin fasting Wednesday with city religious leaders and is inviting residents to join. The city was admitted into a state-run program for distressed municipalities in December as it struggles with nearly \$300 million in debts. (AP)

GAMBLING DOES, IN FACT, PAY

Casino Now Seeking Bailout

State regulators say a gambler won a \$25,000 jackpot on a Pittsburgh casino slot machine that should have paid out only \$12. The generous payout happened in one of five instances involving Rivers Casino machines that weren't properly tested or certified. Casino officials say the player was allowed to keep the jackpot and that it paid all taxes on it. (AP)

HOUSING CRISIS

It's 'Modern Smuggler' Decor

A couple in Ellsworth, Maine, inhabit a pair of former shipping containers bought online for \$1,500. Trevor Seip and Jennifer Sansosti have spent a year modifying the containers, which measure 20 feet long, 8 feet high and 8 feet wide. One is insulated, plumbed and wired. It boasts a bed, a sink, a camp stove, a propane heater, a shower and a composting toilet. (AP)

The Big Picture



AIN'T NO PARTY LIKE A DRUID PARTY: Revelers cheer as the sun finally breaks through the clouds a couple hours after sunrise during the summer solstice at Stonehenge, near Salisbury in England Tuesday. The event takes place every year around this time. Stonehenge was erected between approximately 3000 B.C. and 1600 B.C. (AP)



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FDA's Cigarette Scare Tactics

Graphic warnings will be required on all packs by fall '12

Richmond, Va.

Rotting teeth. Diseased lungs. A corpse of a smoker.

Nine new warning labels featuring graphic images that convey the dangers of smoking will be required by the Food and Drug Administration to be on U.S. cigarette packs by 2012. Other images include a man with a tracheotomy smoking and a mother holding a baby with smoke swirling around them. The labels will include phrases such as "Smoking can kill you" and "Cigarettes cause cancer."

The labels, which the FDA released Tuesday, are a part of the most significant change to U.S. cigarette packs in 25 years. They're aimed at curbing tobacco use, which is responsible for about 443,000 deaths in the U.S. a year.

The labels will take up the top half — both front and back — of a pack of cigarettes, and each will include a national quit smoking



What's in a Label?

Tobacco makers in the lawsuit have argued the warnings would relegate the companies' brands to the bottom half of the cigarette packaging, making them "difficult, if not impossible, to see."

The FDA says the new labels will "clearly and effectively convey the health risks of smoking" aimed at encouraging current smokers to quit and discouraging nonsmokers and youth from starting to smoke. (AP)

hotline number. Warning labels also must appear in advertisements and constitute 20 percent of an ad. Cigarette makers have until the fall of 2012 to comply.

"These kind of graphic warn-

ing labels strengthen the understanding of people about the health risks of smoking," FDA Commissioner Margaret Hamburg said in an interview with The Associated Press. "We clearly have to renew a

national conversation around these issues and enhance awareness."

Mandates to introduce new graphic warning labels were part of a law passed in 2009 that, for the first time, gave the federal government authority to regulate tobacco, including setting guidelines for marketing and labeling; banning certain products; and limiting nicotine. The announcement follows reviews of scientific literature, public comments and results from an FDA-contracted study.

In recent years, more than 30 countries or jurisdictions have introduced labels similar to the FDA's. The U.S. first mandated the use of warning labels stating, "Cigarettes may be hazardous to your health," in 1965. Current warning labels — a small box with black-and-white text — were put on cigarette packs in the mid-1980s.

The new labels come as the share of Americans who smoke has fallen dramatically since 1970, from nearly 40 percent to about 20 percent. The rate has stalled since about 2004. About 46 million adults in the U.S. smoke cigarettes. **MICHAEL FELBERBAUM (AP)**

In Brief

ATLANTA

Gingrich Campaign Loses Top Fundraising Officials



Gingrich

Newt Gingrich's top two fundraising advisers resigned on Tuesday, and officials said the Republican candidate's hobbling presidential campaign carried more than \$1 million in debt. The departures of fundraising director Jody Thomas and fundraising consultant Mary Heitman were the latest blow for Gingrich. (AP)

ALBANY, N.Y.

Gay Marriage Policy Could Be Decided Wednesday

Legislative backroom dealing has cleared the way for a much anticipated and nationally scrutinized showdown on gay marriage in New York as early as Wednesday as closed-door talks over additional religious protections appeared to show progress. (AP)

700

The number of workers who will be laid off Tuesday by Gannett, the nation's largest newspaper publisher. The move is to combat an unrelenting advertising slump. (AP)



Their Next Chapter: Rep. Gabrielle Giffords, who is recovering from a gunshot wound to the head, and her astronaut husband, Mark Kelly, are working on a memoir together. Kelly also announced on Tuesday his retirement from the Navy and NASA. The book, currently untitled, will be an intimate chronicle of everything from their careers and courtship to the Jan. 8 tragedy when a gunman shot Giffords in Tucson. The book's publishing date is to be determined. (AP)



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Nation

Huntsman Joins '12 Fray

Ex-governor of Utah starts presidential bid with pledge of civility

Jersey City, N.J.

Former Utah governor Jon Huntsman joined the Republican presidential contest on Tuesday, pledging to run a civil campaign and claiming that he and President Obama both love the United States but have different visions of its future.

Huntsman, who until this spring was Obama's ambassador to China, entered the fight for the GOP nomination to take on Obama in 2012 at the same venue where Ronald Reagan formally began his general election presidential campaign in 1980. Huntsman, an aide to Reagan who served in two other Republican administrations, had been expected to join the contest for months.

"This is the hour when we choose our future. I'm Jon Huntsman, and I'm running for president of the United States," the silver-haired Huntsman said, with the State of Liberty over his shoulder as a backdrop.



Jon Huntsman waves as he arrives Tuesday at Liberty State Park in New Jersey.

Centrist Huntsman

Jon Huntsman is positioning himself as a centrist in a largely conservative field—a candidate with deep foreign policy credentials who could have broad appeal to independent voters in a general election contest against President Obama. Huntsman joins a field of GOP contenders led by Mitt Romney, Tim Pawlenty, Newt Gingrich and Michele Bachmann. Rick Perry is exploring a possible bid, too. (AP)

Huntsman called the American economy "totally unacceptable," saying the country needs "leadership that knows we need more than hope, leadership that knows we need answers."

Huntsman said he respects Obama but added that he and the president have "a difference of opinion on how to help the country we both love." But, he added, "The question each of us wants the voters to answer is, 'Who will be the better president?' not 'Who's the better American?'" BETH FOUHY (AP)



BUSTED

In His Spare Time

A New Jersey physics professor who dabbled in scuba diving had another hobby, New Mexico police say: operating a sophisticated prostitution website that may have catered to as many as 200 prostitutes and 1,200 clients. David Flory, 68, was arrested Sunday at a Starbucks in Albuquerque on 40 counts of promoting prostitution. (AP)

McCain Under Fire for Comments

Sierra Vista, Ariz.

As if Arizona's immigration debate wasn't already hot, Sen. John McCain has ignited a barrage of criticism by saying that there is "substantial evidence" that illegal immigrants are partly responsible for wildfires in the state.

58

The number of homes destroyed by the wildfire on the outskirts of Sierra Vista, Ariz., about 15 miles from Mexico.

McCain is standing by the statement he made over the weekend as he toured a massive wildfire in eastern Arizona, but immigrant rights advocates say the state's senior senator is using illegal immigrants as scapegoats.

Authorities have said humans started the three major blazes in Arizona, but investigators don't know any more details.

On Tuesday, McCain said in an interview on NBC's "Today" show he was "puzzled" by the firestorm that has erupted after his remarks.

"We know that people who come across our border illegally ... that these fires are sometimes, some of them, caused by this," he said. McCain added, "I'm puzzled ... that there should be any controversy." He said he was merely repeating information he'd been given during a briefing with federal officials, including the U.S. Forest Service, before he appeared at the news conference. (AP)

Nation

Health Overhaul's Medicaid Glitch

Twist allows several million early retirees free insurance access

Washington

President Obama's health care law would let several million middle-class people get nearly free insurance meant for the poor, a twist government number crunchers say they discovered only after the complex bill was signed.

The change would affect early retirees: A married couple could have an annual income of about \$64,000 and still get Medicaid, said officials who make long-range cost estimates for the Health and Human Services department.

Up to 3 million more people could qualify for Medicaid in 2014 as a result of the anomaly. That's because, in a major change from today, most of their Social Security benefits would no longer be counted as income for determining eligibility. It might be compared to allowing middle-class people to qualify for food stamps.

Medicare chief actuary Richard Foster says the situation keeps him up at night.

"I don't generally comment on the pros or cons of policy, but that just doesn't make sense," Foster said during a question-and-answer session at a recent professional society meeting.

"This is a situation that got

Support System

Medicaid is a safety net program that serves more than 50 million vulnerable Americans. It's designed as a federal-state partnership, with Washington paying close to 60 percent of the total cost. Some early retirees who worked all their lives may not want to be associated with a health care program for the poor, but others might see it as a relatively painless way to satisfy the new law's requirement that all Americans carry medical insurance starting in 2014. (AP)

no attention at all," added Foster. "And even now, as I raise the issue with various policymakers, people are not rushing to say ... we need to do something about this."

Indeed, administration officials and senior Democratic lawmakers say it's not a loophole but the result of a well-meaning effort to simplify rules for deciding who will get help with insurance costs under the new health care law. Instead of a hodgepodge of rules, there will be one national policy.

"This simplification will stop people from falling into coverage gaps and may cause some to be newly eligible for Medicaid and others to no longer qualify," said Brian Cook, spokesman for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. **RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR (AP)**



Libraries' Novel Ways to Save

A century after the nation's library building boom, public libraries are under siege: plunging tax revenues are forcing closures and staff cutbacks, while e-readers and the Internet can make a library seem quaint as a place to find a book or do research. Library directors

are responding to the dwindling support from local governments by charging for premium services, selling passport photos and joining with DVD retailers to offer commercial movie-rental boxes in exchange for a cut of the sales. (AP)

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Demonstrators rally outside the Greek parliament in Athens, Greece, ahead of a confidence vote in Prime Minister George Papandreou's government, which narrowly won.

Hanging by a Thread in Greece

PM, government eke by in confidence vote necessary for bailout

Athens, Greece

Greek Prime Minister George Papandreou survived a confidence vote in parliament early Wednesday, winning a gamble on his government's survival and the danger of a devastating debt default.

Papandreou won 155-143, with two abstentions in the 300-member legislature to face down an

internal party revolt and help him pass deeply disliked austerity measures that have provoked strikes, protests and a slump in his popularity.

The vote was conducted by roll call after a heated debate that saw sections of the opposition briefly walk out. All deputies voted along party lines. Papandreou's Socialist party holds a five-seat majority in the 300-member legislature.

A loss would have likely led to early elections and thrown into question whether Greece could pass the new austerity bill by the end of

Backstory



Prime Minister George Papandreou reshuffled his Cabinet last week and replaced his finance minister

to ease dissent within his party. Finance Minister Evangelos Venizelos promised Tuesday that parliament will pass an unpopular \$40.2 billion austerity package by the end of June to comply with requirements for its next bailout payment. (AP)

June as demanded by the country's international creditors. Unless the new measures pass, Greece will not receive the next batch of funds from its bailout loans, and will face a disastrous default.

Greece is being kept financially afloat by \$157 billion EU-IMF bailout fund.

A default by Greece could spark a financial maelstrom around the world, dragging down Greek and European banks as well as stoking renewed fears over the finances of other such eurozone countries as Portugal, Ireland and Spain. (AP)

In Brief

ROME

Italian Premier Finds Boost in Confidence Vote



Berlusconi

Premier Silvio Berlusconi said Tuesday it would be "folly" for him to quit two years ahead of his term's end, warning that political instability would leave Italy prey to financial speculators. Berlusconi clinched a morale-boosting win in a confidence vote earlier Tuesday. (AP)

SAN'A, YEMEN

Rival Warns of Violence If Yemen's Saleh Returns

The head of Yemen's most powerful tribal confederation, Sadeq al-Ahmar, warned Tuesday in a letter to the Saudi king that Yemen could plunge into civil war if President Ali Abdullah Saleh is allowed to return home. Saleh is receiving medical treatment in Saudi Arabia. Al-Ahmar appealed to King Abdullah to prevent Saleh's return. (AP)

PARIS

Ex-Dior Designer to Stand Trial for Alleged Slurs

Former Dior designer John Galliano will face his accusers at his trial Wednesday on charges he hurled anti-Semitic insults to patrons at a Paris cafe in February, allegations that shocked the fashion world and cost him his job. If convicted, he may face up to six months in prison. (AP)

BAGHDAD

2 Bomb Blasts Kill 22

Twin explosions, including a suicide bombing, killed at least 22 people and wounded dozens Tuesday near a government compound in a rare attack in the Shiite heartland, Iraqi officials said. The blasts came as top Iraqi factions started to discuss in earnest whether to ask the U.S. to leave troops past the Dec. 31 withdrawal deadline. (AP)

TOURISM



Papal Playlist Next?

The Vatican is betting an iPod beats "Shush!" in basilicas. The Holy See's pilgrim agency is lending tourists at St. John in Lateran, Rome's oldest basilica, iPods loaded with an app on the art, architecture and history. It's a bid to reduce noise and appeal more to the young, an official said Tuesday. The Vatican will unveil the experiment Wednesday. (AP)

7 Killed as Conflicts Reignite Across Divided Syria

Beirut

Syrian President Bashar Assad's effort to stifle pro-democracy protests exploded into clashes between regime supporters and opponents in several cities Tuesday, and security forces opened fire and killed seven people, activists said.

The two sides have battled before, but the bloodshed Tuesday appeared to be the worst yet.



Supporters of President Bashar Assad march on Tuesday in Damascus, Syria.

Meanwhile, the Obama administration struggled to explain why its ambassador to Syria, Robert Ford, participated in a sanitized trip to the town of Jisr al-Shughour sponsored by Assad's regime.

Monday's trip allowed Ford to see "the results of the Syrian government's brutality," a State Department official said. But it was unclear how Ford would have gathered evidence on the tour. (AP)

\$16M The price for a renowned Stradivarius violin sold Tuesday at a London auction by a Japanese music foundation to raise money for disaster aid for the March 11 tsunami. The Nippon Foundation said the proceeds from the nearly 300-year-old violin known as the Lady Blunt will go to relief projects in Japan. (AP)

Wayward Visitor Reaches New Zealand



AN EMPEROR PENGUIN WADDLES along Peka Peka Beach Monday in southwest New Zealand, the first time in 44 years that one of the creatures has been sighted there in the wild. The young penguin apparently took a wrong turn while swimming near Antarctica and wound up taking a 2,000-mile journey.

Study: Warming Europe May See Heat Deaths Jump

Washington

A new study says one of the few benefits of global warming — fewer deaths from the combination of extreme heat and cold — may eventually melt away in Europe.

For years, scientists figured that with global warming there are fewer overall temperature-related deaths when those from heat waves and cold snaps are combined. The increase in heat wave deaths during hotter spells is more than offset by reduced cold deaths in milder winters.

But a new study in Europe finds that around 2040, the increase in heat deaths will likely outweigh the reduction in cold deaths. The study suggests that by 2070, global

In the U.S.

There seems to be fewer cold-related deaths in the United States than in Europe, said Jonathan Patz, director of the Global Health Institute at the University of Wisconsin. That may mean the U.S. will see heat deaths outweigh cold deaths sooner than Europe does, he said. Other experts say air-conditioning in the U.S. would prevent some deaths, so that scenario is unlikely. (AP)

warming may cause 15,000 more temperature-related deaths a year in Europe.

The study released Tuesday by Nature Communications looks only at deaths from heat and cold, not

increases from flooding, droughts and storms. It used computer models to analyze the climate under global warming and compares those to death rates in 200 separate regions of Europe.

The study's chief author, Joan Ballester, a climatologist at the Catalan Institute of Climate Sciences in Barcelona, said the same death assumptions cannot be made for other continents.

Some places in Europe will suffer more than others, Ballester calculates. Figures show that southern Europe, especially Italy, will suffer larger increases in heat deaths while overall temperature mortality will continue to fall in northern places like the United Kingdom and parts of Scandinavia. (AP)



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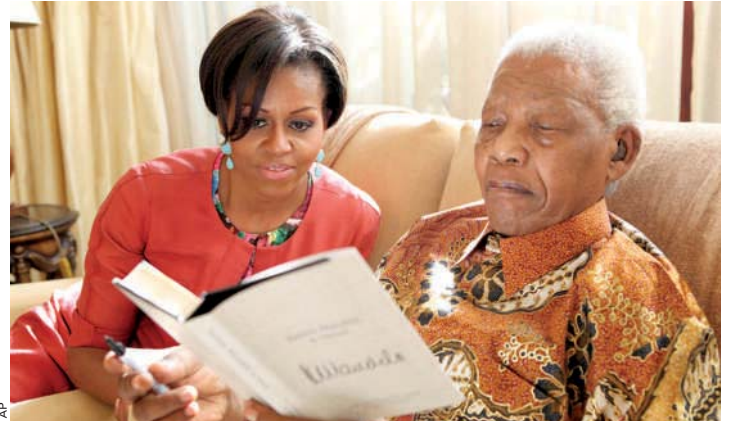
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World



First lady Michelle Obama visits with Nelson Mandela on Tuesday in Johannesburg.

First Lady Meets Mandela in Africa

Johannesburg

Michelle Obama heard stories of South Africa's racist past Tuesday from Nelson Mandela, the country's first black president, who was imprisoned for 27 years in his struggle against brutal apartheid rule.

Now 92 and largely retired from public life, Mandela sent word he wanted to meet with the first lady at his home while she was at his foundation viewing some of his personal papers. Obama's family spent about 20 minutes with Mandela and his wife, Graca Machel, a former first lady of both South Africa and Mozambique.

The first lady was joined by her daughters, Malia and Sasha; her mother, Marian Robinson; and Obama's niece and nephew, Leslie Robinson and Avery Robinson.

Africa Itinerary

First lady Michelle Obama began a weeklong goodwill visit to South Africa and Botswana on Monday. She heads to Gaborone, Botswana, on Friday for a visit with President Ian Khama. The trip ends with private family time, including a safari, before Obama and her family return Monday to Washington. (AP)

After meeting with Mandela, Obama and her family visited a day-care center in Zandspruit, a Johannesburg shantytown where people live in tin homes. A group of 3- to 6-year-olds welcomed their visitors with song. Obama and her daughters then took turns reading one of the girls' favorite books, Dr. Seuss' "The Cat in the Hat." They closed the day with a private tour of the Apartheid Museum. (AP)



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Cover Story

A Changing Of the Guard

Obama's planned announcement of major troop withdrawal begins a transition in Afghanistan

Washington

Facing a war-weary public, President Obama is expected to call for a major withdrawal of American troops from Afghanistan Wednesday night, with roughly 10,000 coming home to the U.S. in less than a year.

The phased drawdown is likely to start with 5,000 troops recalled this summer and an additional 5,000 by winter or spring 2012, according to a senior U.S. defense official. Obama is also weighing a timetable for bringing home the 20,000 other troops he ordered to Afghanistan as part of his December 2009 decision to send reinforcements to reverse the Taliban's battlefield momentum.

The withdrawals would put the U.S. on a path toward giving Afghans control of their security by 2014 and ultimately shifting the U.S. military from a combat role to a mission focused on training and supporting Afghan forces.

The president reached his decision a week after receiving a range of options from Gen. David Petraeus, the top U.S. and NATO commander in Afghanistan. Obama informed his senior national security advisers, including outgoing Defense Secretary Robert Gates and Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, of his plans

By the Numbers

80%

The portion of Americans who approve of Obama's decision to begin withdrawal of combat troops in July and end U.S. combat action in Afghanistan by 2014.

30,000

The number of troops sent to Afghanistan in the surge Obama announced at the end of 2009 that came with the condition that he would start bringing forces home in July 2011.



10K

The number of troops that will leave Afghanistan by the end of 2011, President Obama is expected to announce on Wednesday night.

during a White House meeting on Tuesday.

The Obama administration has said its goal in continuing the Afghan war, now in its 10th year, is to blunt the Taliban insurgency and dismantle and defeat al-Qaeda, the terror network that used Afghanistan as a training ground for the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

Roughly 100,000 U.S. troops are in the country, three times as many as when Obama took office. Even by drawing down the 30,000 surge forces, there will still be great

uncertainty about how long the remaining 70,000 troops would stay there, although the U.S. and its allies have set Dec. 31, 2014, as a target date for ending the combat mission in Afghanistan.

Afghan security forces and judicial institutions are expected to take up many aspects of the counterinsurgency fight by establishing the rule of law and respect for government institutions, U.S. officials

1,513

The number of U.S. casualties in Afghanistan since the war began in 2001, as of Monday, according to the Pentagon.



U.S. Marines march in line during an operation in Afghanistan. A troop withdrawal is expected to begin this year.

Command

Panetta OK'd



The Senate on Tuesday unanimously approved the nomination of CIA Director Leon Panetta to

be the next Pentagon chief. He will replace Defense Secretary Robert Gates, who is retiring June 30 after 4½ years on the job through the administrations of George W. Bush and Barack Obama. Joining Gates in leaving their current military posts are the top two American generals in Kabul — David Petraeus and David Rodriguez — who are due to leave for new assignments as early as July. (AP)

in Afghanistan said Tuesday.

The transition to full Afghan control will begin in earnest on July 20 in five provincial capital cities and two provinces. The provincial capitals identified for transition are Lashkar Gah in Helmand province, plus capitals from provinces in the west, east and north, and most of Kabul. The largely peaceful northern provinces of Bamyan and Panjshir will also start to transition to Afghan control.

Some U.S. military commanders have favored a more gradual reduction in troops than Obama is expected to announce Wednesday night, arguing that too fast a withdrawal could undermine the fragile security gains.

But pressure for a substantial withdrawal has been mounting from the public and Congress. Even Gates, who has said he favored a "modest" withdrawal, said Tuesday that Obama's decision needed to incorporate domestic concerns about the war.

"It goes without saying that there are a lot of reservations in the Congress about the war in Afghanistan and our level of commitment. There are concerns among the American people who are tired of a decade of war," Gates said at the State Department. (AP)

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DOT to Oversee Dulles Rail Work

Inspector general will audit MWAA to ensure project stays on track

Chantilly, Va.

The inspector general for the U.S. Department of Transportation announced Tuesday that his office will audit the authority that oversees two of the Washington area's main airports and the project to extend Metrorail to Dulles International Airport and Loudoun County.

Inspector General Calvin L. Scovel's announcement that he will investigate the "management policies and processes" of the Metropol-

itan Washington Airports Authority comes in response to a request in February from Reps. Frank R. Wolf, R-Va., and Tom Latham, R-Iowa. The lawmakers requested the audit, they said, to "ensure that Dulles Rail is done well, done on time, and done on or under original cost estimates."

The airports authority, which took charge of the planned 23-mile Metrorail line in 2006, has been criticized for the rising cost of the second phase of the project. The inspector general's office is currently completing an audit of the first phase of the project from Tysons Corner to Wiehle Avenue in Reston. The new review appears broader in



Crews work on an 80-foot guideway over the Dulles Connector Road in April 2010.

scope, covering the second phase to Dulles and Loudoun County, in addition to looking at the airports authority and its 13-member appointed board.

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In its announcement, the inspector general's office says it will examine whether the authority's "policies and processes are sufficient to ensure accountability and transparency of its board's activities." The announcement also mentions that "recent decisions by the MWAA Board regarding the project have generated significant attention."

The unelected board has been hammered by local, state and federal officials for its management of the second phase of the Metrorail project and its vote in favor of building an underground Metro station at Dulles. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

METRO PULSE



It's the second anniversary of the Fort Totten Metro crash. Do you feel safe riding now?

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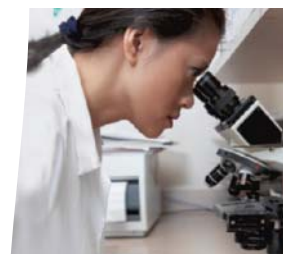
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In Brief

FAIRFAX, VA.

Man Must Pay Cabbie \$22K In Beltway Sex Lawsuit



Trad

The man who claimed he was having sex in a speeding car on the Beltway last year has been ordered to pay \$22,000 to the cabdriver whose minivan was struck from behind in an apparent drunken-driving episode. A witness who came upon the scene said he pulled Salem T. Trad, 22, of Woodbridge, from behind the wheel of the car, and that a young woman was lying dazed between the front seats. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

UPPER MARLBORO, MD.

New Pr. George's Budget Cuts 700 Teaching Jobs

The Prince George's County school board has approved a \$1.6 billion budget that will cut as many as 700 teaching positions next year. The budget approved Tuesday represents a 2 percent decrease in funding from last year. The school system has been slashing costs since 2008 due to declining property values and enrollment. In that time, more than 3,000 jobs have been cut. About half were teaching jobs. (AP)

The Lotteries

Tuesday, June 21

District

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Evening DC 4 (Mon.) 9-9-6-0
Mid-day D.C. Five 3-9-9-5-2
Evening D.C. Five (Mon.) 4-4-4-5-8

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Mid-day Pick 3 7-0-3
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.) 8-7-8
Mid-day Pick 4 7-4-1-8
Evening Pick 4 (Mon.) 5-0-2-2
Match 5 (Mon.) 17-22-24-31-32 (25)

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Mid-day Pick 3 4-0-5
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.) 1-4-6
Mid-day Pick 4 7-6-0-4
Evening Pick 4 (Mon.) 4-9-9-5
Mid-day Cash 5 (Tues.) 7-8-18-29-34
Evening Cash 5 (Mon.) 15-21-29-30-31

All winning numbers are official only when validated at a claims location. Drawings that occur after Express' deadline will be published two days later.

Poll: DCPS Gets Good Grade

Majority of parents with kids in public schools back system

Washington

For the first time in more than decade, a majority of D.C. public school parents give the system high marks, according to a new survey by The Washington Post and the Kaiser Family Foundation.

Fifty-three percent said the city's 123 schools were doing a "good" or "excellent" job, a sharp jump from January 2008, when just 31 percent of parents expressed approval. Former chancellor Michelle A. Rhee, a divisive figure during her three-and-half year tenure, has gained public support since her resignation last October. The survey found 53 percent of registered voters approved of her performance, a nine-point gain from last summer.

The findings are consistent with other signs of slow but discernible progress in the 45,600-student system, which was placed under mayoral control in 2007 after years of abysmal academic performance. They include the first enrollment growth in more than 40 years and impressive gains in math and reading scores on the National Assessment of Educational Progress.

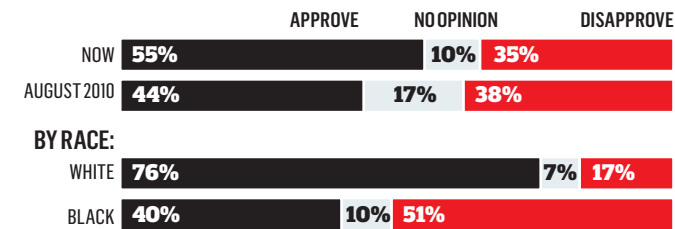
Overall, however, the results are decidedly mixed. Two-thirds of all

Poll Results

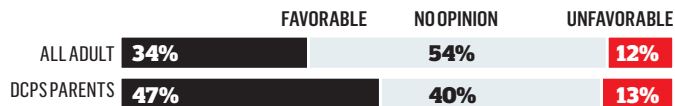
How D.C. Schools Stack Up

More than half of District residents approve of former chancellor Michelle Rhee's performance, up from 44 percent last August. Three-quarters of whites approve of Rhee compared with just 40 percent of African-Americans. Chancellor Kaya Henderson earns favorable ratings, but 54 percent of residents and four in 10 District public school parents have no opinion.

Q. Do you approve or disapprove of how former chancellor Michelle Rhee handled her job?

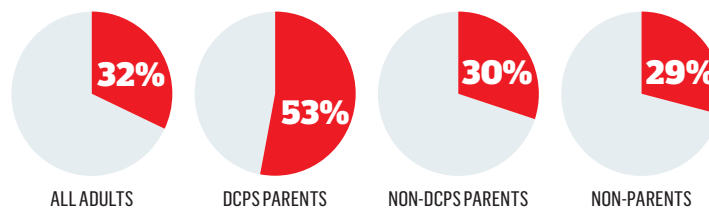


Q. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of current Chancellor Kaya Henderson?



Overall Opinions

Percentage of adults who say D.C. public schools do an excellent or good job:



SOURCE: THIS WASHINGTON POST-KAISER FAMILY FOUNDATION POLL WAS CONDUCTED BY TELEPHONE MAY 10 TO 31, 2011, AMONG A RANDOM SAMPLE OF 1,342 ADULTS LIVING IN WASHINGTON, D.C., INCLUDING USERS OF BOTH CONVENTIONAL AND CELLULAR PHONES. INTERVIEWS WERE CONDUCTED WITH 812 AFRICAN-AMERICAN AND 372 WHITE RESIDENTS. THE RESULTS FROM THE FULL SURVEY HAVE A MARGIN OF SAMPLING ERROR OF PLUS OR MINUS 3.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS, FOUR PERCENTAGE POINTS FOR THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN SAMPLE AND 6.5 POINTS FOR THE WHITE SAMPLE. SAMPLING, DATA COLLECTION AND TABULATION BY SSRS OF MEDIA, PA.

District residents have a negative view of the schools. Only a third say the public schools in their neighborhoods are good, and nearly two-thirds believe the system does a poor job of preparing students for college or the workplace. That opinion is held most strongly by white residents and African-Americans with college degrees.

The city's fast-growing public charter school sector continues to get a lukewarm assessment from residents, with four in 10 saying they are about the same quality as traditional public schools. That proportion rises to a slight majority, however, among residents under 30.

"People don't want to take a chance. That's the problem D.C. schools face."

— BRUCE LEHMAN, A WARD 2 RESIDENT WHOSE DAUGHTER GRADUATED FROM SIDWELL FRIENDS, A NW PRIVATE SCHOOL.

"People don't want to take a chance. That's the problem D.C. schools face. You don't want to experiment on your own children," said Bruce Lehman, 65, an attorney in Ward 2 whose daughter graduated from Sidwell Friends eight years ago.

"Nothing says it more than that," Lehman said. BILL TURQUE AND SCOTT CLEMENT (THE WASHINGTON POST)

D.C. Council Passes Redistricting Plan

Washington

After one final rending of garments, the D.C. Council voted for a second and final time Tuesday to approve a hotly debated ward redistricting plan.

The plan passed with one major change. The Woodley Park neighborhood — previously split down Connecticut Avenue NW, with the east side in Ward 1 and the west side

in Ward 3 — will now be entirely in Ward 3. A similar amendment offered at an initial vote this month by Mary Cheh, D-Ward 3, failed, but on Tuesday, Jim Graham, D-Ward 1, changed his position in favor of the change, clearing the way for its passage.

But the Woodley Park shift caused great consternation on the part of Muriel Bowser, D-Ward 4, who was furious that the change

would cause Ward 3 to be very near the maximum size allowed by law, while Ward 7 would be very near the minimum.

"That is unheard of," she said. "We should have done more to make these wards even." Under city law, ward populations are allowed to deviate plus or minus 5 percent from the citywide average.

Bowser was one of five members who voted against final pas-

sage. Marion Barry, D-Ward 8, also voted against the plan, as expected, claiming that its failure to move his ward across the Anacostia River was racially unjust. Yvette Alexander, D-Ward 7; Harry Thomas Jr., D-Ward 5; and Vincent Orange, D-At Large, also voted against it. The final plan keeps the "Hill East" neighborhoods in Ward 6, which has been a flash-point in earlier redistricting discussions. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Sports

In Brief



Ex-MVP Jaromir Jagr, left, has played in Russia since he left the NHL in 2008.

PRO HOCKEY

Jagr Eyes Comeback

Jaromir Jagr would like to play in the NHL next season. Petr Svoboda, Jagr's agent, said Tuesday that he has been talking to the Detroit Red Wings and Pittsburgh Penguins. He declined to say whether he is talking with other teams about a one-year contract for the 39-year-old Jagr. (AP)

PRO BASKETBALL

Casey to Coach Raptors

Dwane Casey hopes to bring a rugged style of defense to his newest job in the NBA. The Toronto Raptors hired Casey as their coach on Tuesday, nine days after the Dallas assistant helped the Mavericks win the title. Casey succeeds Jay Triano, who became a consultant after the Raptors finished 22-60. (AP)

COLLEGE SPORTS

Ohio State Drops Probe

Ohio State University on Tuesday dropped its review of car purchases by football players and family members after two separate investigations found dealerships made money on almost all of the sales. The reviews were launched after questions about players' car purchases arose in the wake of a scandal in which some players received cash and tattoos for autographs, championship rings and equipment. (AP)

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Dream Tops Sky, 71-68

Angel McCoughtry scored 14 points, and newcomer Courtney Paris had nine points and eight rebounds to lead the Atlanta Dream past the Chicago Sky, 71-68, on Tuesday afternoon. (AP)



With an accord to end the lockout close, NFL owners hash out objections

Pro Football

The owners of the 32 NFL teams met Tuesday to consider the terms of a possible settlement with locked-out players, a deal that could include 16 Thursday night prime-time games beginning in 2012 and a salary cap system that would give players just less than half of the sport's burgeoning revenue.

NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell appeared to be trying to consolidate support for a deal that could be completed in coming weeks. Despite reports of concerns by some owners, it appeared that the level of dissent was relatively modest as the meeting began near Chicago. There was expectation that Goodell would be able to address the group's reservations and emerge with the authority to finish a deal with the players.

"This is the season to get a deal," Indianapolis Colts owner Jim Irsay said before entering the meeting.

Goodell and DeMaurice Smith, the executive director of the dissolved players' union, have participated in a series of negotiating sessions over the past three weeks, along with small groups of owners and players. Those meetings apparently have put a deal between the

\$40M

The amount of tax revenue that Maryland, home to the Ravens and Redskins, would lose if there was no NFL season, according to a new report. (AP)

two sides within reach. The Associated Press reported a new round of talks will begin Wednesday.

Any agreement between the league and the players would have to be approved by at least 24 of the 32 owners. Players have been locked out by the owners since March 12.

As Tuesday's meeting began, it appeared that only a handful of

The Proposal

Details of a potential collective bargaining agreement being pitched to NFL owners Tuesday, according to ESPN:

- ▶ The NFL players get 48 percent of all of the league's revenue.
- ▶ Teams would be required to use a minimum payroll that is close to 100 percent of the salary cap.
- ▶ The rookie pay scale would be tweaked, but no final decision had been reached.
- ▶ Players would need to play for four years before becoming unrestricted free agents. Tags such as "franchise player," which limit movement, are still being discussed.
- ▶ The controversial plan to institute an 18-game season would not be mandatory in the plan. Instead, it would be negotiated.
- ▶ There would be a new TV deal for 16 Thursday night games. (EXPRESS)

owners had serious objections to a potential deal, according to people familiar with the owners' deliberations. Those people, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said that Goodell called the meeting to allow the owners to express their views in advance of a deal being completed, in an attempt to ensure that opposition to an agreement doesn't grow.

The owners with concerns apparently want the agreement to provide protection for the teams in case of an economic downturn. Some owners also appear to believe that the league should take advantage of its recent courtroom victories to negotiate a more favorable deal.

But other owners were pressing for a deal on the terms currently being negotiated with the players. "I think that's the hope," Irsay said. "It just makes sense to continue to have a feeling or urgency to try to get something done."

MARK MASKE (THE WASHINGTON POST)



Another Lockout Looming: Commissioner David Stern says NBA owners have proposed a "flex cap" system, but players still insist it's a hard cap that they won't agree to. Both sides made new proposals Tuesday in what Stern had said was an important day in the league's labor talks, with the collective bargaining agreement set to expire on June 30. Stern said the league's offer is "virtually the best shot" to avoid a work stoppage. (AP)

Victory Brings Serena to Tears

Williams wins first Wimbledon match since health problems

Tennis

Returning to Grand Slam tennis after a year away with health problems, Serena Williams opened her Wimbledon title defense Tuesday by beating Aravane Rezai in three sets — then burst into tears on Centre Court.

After serving her 13th ace to close a 6-3, 3-6, 6-1 victory, Williams buried her face in her towel and sobbed from her courtside chair. She was still crying as she left the court, overcome with emotion after enduring a long layoff that included two foot operations and treatment for blood clots in her lungs.

"I usually don't cry ... but it's just been so hard," the four-time Wimbledon champion said. "I never dreamt I would be here right now. And then to win. I just wanted to win at least one match here."

Williams fought through a mid-match slump, then reasserted command over her French opponent in the third set with a big serve and powerful groundstrokes. She showed why she is still considered a title favorite despite her long absence and her No. 7 seeding.

"It's been a disaster year, but I've been praying," Williams said. "To be able to come back at Wimbledon is pretty awesome. I didn't expect to play. And I didn't expect to even do anything. So I'm just



Serena Williams reacts to her emotional victory at Wimbledon on Tuesday.

Other Results

► Roger Federer began his chase for his seventh Wimbledon championship by beating Mikhail Kukushkin 7-6 (2), 6-4, 6-2.

► Second-seeded Novak Djokovic, playing for the first time since his 43-match winning streak was stopped at the French Open, sailed into the second round with a 6-4, 6-1, 6-1 victory over Jeremy Chardy.

► Andy Roddick served 30 aces — including four in a row in one game — to German qualifier Andreas Beck 6-4, 7-6 (6), 6-3. (AP)

excited. I've never cried with joy for anything."

After losing the second set, Williams took charge in the final set, winning the last five games. "I kept thinking, 'This is Wimbledon,'" she said. (AP)

How Anticlimactic: The rematch of the longest match in tennis history was a lot shorter. John Isner only took three sets and about two hours to beat Nicolas Mahut in the first round at Wimbledon on Tuesday. It was far more straightforward than their 11-hour, 5-minute marathon over three days in 2010 that Isner finally won, 70-68, in the fifth set at the All England Club. (AP)



NHL OKs Thrashers' Move North

Pro Hockey

The NHL board of governors unanimously approved the sale of the Atlanta Thrashers on Tuesday, paving the way for the club to move to Winnipeg, Manitoba, for next season.

True North Sports and Entertainment bought the team last month and announced it was bringing the Thrashers to Winnipeg, which lost the Jets to Phoenix after the 1995-96 season. The vote by the

board was the final hurdle in the process to relocate the team.

"It's a sad day for hockey fans in Atlanta, but the franchise is going to a good place and run by good people," Thrashers president Don Waddell said.

The sale is reportedly for \$170 million, including a \$60 million relocation fee that will be split by the rest of the owners. The Thrashers are the fifth NHL team to move since Gary Bettman became commissioner in 1993. (AP)

TV Lineup

NATIONALS (7 P.M., MASN) Former Orioles ace Erik Bedard pitches for the Mariners against John Lannan the Nats.

SOCCER (7 P.M., FSC) The U.S. plays Panama in the semifinals of the Gold Cup in Houston.

TENNIS (7 A.M., ESPN2) The second round begins at Wimbledon.

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Sports

U.S. Seeks Revenge vs. Panama



Soccer

After a standout performance in Sunday's CONCACAF Gold Cup quarterfinal at RFK Stadium, the U.S. men's national soccer team has a chance to right one of the biggest wrongs in its recent history.

The Americans' 2-0 victory over Jamaica — in which they dominated possession and made one of the extraordinary teams of the group stage look rather ordinary — coupled with Panama's victory over El Salvador gives the United States a chance at revenge. It was Panama that handed the United States a shocking 2-1 loss in the second game of the group stage — the first U.S. loss ever in that round of the Gold Cup. The two will play



The U.S.' Steve Cherundolo walks dejectedly after a Panama goal in last week's game.

Wednesday night in Houston with a spot in the final on the line.

"It's an opportunity to put things right," U.S. goalkeeper Tim Howard said.

For Panama to beat the United States again, it will have to

overcome the loss of one of its top attackers, forward Blas Perez. He was red-carded in Panama's thrilling quarterfinal victory on Sunday and will be ineligible for the upcoming match.

The U.S. is likely to be a bit short-

handed, too. Starting striker Jozy Altidore had to be subbed off in the 12th minute against Jamaica after straining his left hamstring, forcing 18-year-old Juan Agudelo into extended minutes. Agudelo fared well, as did versatile attackers Alejandro Bedoya and Sacha Kljestan. Both earned the start as coach Bob Bradley shifted from a 4-4-2 formation to a 4-2-3-1 with Altidore starting as the lone striker.

Between Clint Dempsey's ability to play in the midfield or as a striker, and the emergence of Agudelo, Bedoya and Kljestan, Bradley has some options if Altidore can't go. "Everybody is needed in this kind of tournament," Bradley said. "We keep talking to the players that aren't getting minutes and making sure that we are still training these guys and pushing them hard, because they are all going to need to be ready." **AVI CREDITOR**

Hearsay



"It doesn't mean that I don't have the fire, but we have a great young coach here and I want to support him and hope that he can grow like I did."

— **MIAMI HEAT PRESIDENT PAT RILEY**, ON WHY HE WON'T FIRE COACH ERIK SPOELSTRA AFTER THE TEAM LOST IN THE NBA FINALS. MANY SPECULATED RILEY WANTED TO RETURN TO THE BENCH.

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Internus Ridiculous

'Tis the season for intern spotting! This D.C. pastime is an exciting exercise in biological classification. Internus can be seen grabbing vacant seats on the Metro at rush hour or falling out of Georgetown haunts on weekends. But behavioral patterns do not properly identify the genus during

By
Katherine
Boyle

its migratory summer. Internus must be identified by dress.

Internus are indigenously to Washington. There are multiple species, the most common being "Hillium," "Hospitalius" and "Helpfuldogooderis." (Most Internus journalia have been devoured by the bloglodytes.) To distinguish between "H's," use this rule of thumb: Hillium wear suits and are often inebriated. Hospitalius wear scrubs and tend to be stressed. Helpfuldogooderis carry "Obama 2008" or Greenpeace tote bags and shower bi-weekly.

We can further classify species by "paidium" or "unpaidium." "Unpaidium" feign importance by wearing suits borrowed from their parents. This subspecies also wears conspicuous badges certifying unpaid employment.

While internus are easily mocked, we must be kind, as they will soon blossom into taxpaying members of the "Beltwayic Insidium" family.

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Dreams to Remember

Bon Iver's self-titled second CD presents a breathtaking new vision for pop music

Album Review

The best album of our halfway-over year proves that rock 'n' roll isn't dead — it's only sleeping. And dreaming. Vividly.

It's the sophomore effort from Justin Vernon, an affable 30-year-old Wisconsinite who records as Bon Iver and looks like he should be smiling on a roll of paper towels in aisle three. His stunning debut album, "For Emma, Forever Ago," arrived in 2008, wrapped in a wintry, woodsy mythology: The folky ruminations on a fresh heartbreak, sung in a mysterious falsetto yawn,



Bon Iver
Bon Iver

were recorded in Vernon's family hunting cabin in northern Wisconsin during the winter.

His music's intimacy earned him plenty of praise and the patronage of Kanye West, who recruited Vernon to sing on his 2010 masterstroke, "My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy."

Now Vernon has a masterstroke to call his own. Where "For Emma" came from some disenchanted forest, his new, self-titled "Bon Iver" emerges from a feverish trance. It's amorphous and triumphant — a haze of acoustic guitars, airy synthesizers and tumbling drums floating beneath Vernon's hallucinogenic yowl, like two stratus



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Collaborations Worlds Collide



Justin Vernon spent a few weeks in Hawaii with Kanye West recording "My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy" in early 2010. Vernon appears on "Monster" with West, Rick Ross, Jay-Z and Nicki Minaj, and his Auto-Tuned "Woods" is sampled on West's "Lost in the World." Says Ross of Vernon: "He's a [expletive] genius. I'd never seen nor heard of him in my life ... and his voice is like something I've never heard. ... Within 20 minutes, I realized why Kanye had him there." (BILLBOARD)

Where "For Emma" came from some disenchanted forest, [Justin Vernon's] new, self-titled "Bon Iver" emerges from a feverish trance.

clouds overlapping in a dream.

The album opens with "Perth," its martial percussion rat-a-tatting from some distant battlefield. Spindly guitars, regal horns and Vernon's voice surge and recede, slipping in and out of focus.

It's often impossible to make out the lyrics, and the album's only easily discernible phrases come as declarations of fortitude. "Never gonna break, never gonna break," Vernon vows over the delicate guitars of "Minnesota, WI."

Vernon's poise is apparent on the suite closer, "Beth/Rest," which sounds like an '80s prom theme paled by memory. Its vintage syn-

thesizers have a queasy, soft-rock sheen, but the VH1 associations quickly succumb to Vernon's unimpeachable sense of melody.

Because of his man-with-guitar image and that hair and beard, Vernon is often associated with other earnest, acoustic-minded indie-rock groups. But "Bon Iver" makes those associations moot.

It's the sound of pop music trying to figure out what it must become in a new century, gently turning itself inside out, showing off its gorgeous guts. Like our most beautiful dreams, it makes us pay closer attention to life. CHRIS RICHARDS (THE WASHINGTON POST)

No Wave, No Problem

The documentary 'Blank City' explores a radical time in New York City filmmaking

Film

Apparently, there's this new movie out ("Green" something?) in which a guy can create whatever his heart desires simply through the power of his mind. That sounds a lot like the "No Wave" cinematic movement, which director Celine Danhier documents in her new film "Blank City," now playing at E Street Cinema. The No Wave (a play on the French "New Wave" movement that was so influential in the 1960s and '70s) was made up of a group of New York filmmakers who shot guerrilla-style, with no or little preparation, formal training, or respect for things like permits.

New York City — specifically, the Lower East Side — is as much a part of No Wave Cinema as any of the actors or directors, names that included Jim Jarmusch, John Waters and Steve Buscemi. "It was very run-



No Wave filmmakers Steve Mass, left, and Diego Cortez are featured in "Blank City."

"It was very run-down. And it was a place where you had lots of artists in the community."

— CELINE DANHIER, DIRECTOR OF "BLANK CITY," ON NEW YORK'S LOWER EAST SIDE DURING THE NO WAVE ERA.

down," Danhier recalls. "And it was a place where you had lots of artists in the community. If you wanted to do something, it was really the place to be. You could shoot everywhere, and the energy [of the films] was very reflective of the time in New York." And, unlike now, the LES was dirt-cheap back then.

That economic reality is why Danhier draws a distinction between the let's-make-a-mov-

ie mentality of the No Wave and today's YouTube culture. "It's true right now that you can just shoot, but now it's very, very easy to reach a global audience. ... But on the other side, I think everything is very tied up with economic factors." In short, the No Wave filmmakers could pay for their lofts by working part time as dog-walkers, while someone living in Manhattan who wants to make a living from YouTube videos had better have a trust fund.

The No Wave eventually morphed into the Cinema of Transgression, which believed in blowing up all film schools. Danhier felt comfortable interviewing CoT luminaries because she herself isn't a traditional filmmaker. "I went to law school for a while, but this was my first movie," she says.

She feels that inexperience helped her when it came to interviewing some of the stars of the movement, some of whom — such as Jarmusch — are notoriously reclusive. "I never took no for an answer," she says. "Sometimes I had to harass people."

KRISTEN PAGE-KIRBY (EXPRESS)



Fred Durst is Limp Bizkit's frontman.

New Disc For Limp Bizkit

Music

Fred Durst says Limp Bizkit's forthcoming CD, "Gold Cobra," is "definitely not a reunion. It's a comeback."

The rap-rock quintet releases its new album — the first with its original lineup since 2000's "Chocolate Starfish and the Hot Dog Flavored Water" — on June 28. Durst says that fans of the band's past albums should feel like "Gold Cobra" is the return of an old friend.

"The epiphany was, we've got to own who we are and stay true to what we are," Durst says. "We're a rap-rock band. We're Limp Bizkit. We might individually like different things, and none of us listen to rap-rock, but when we get together in a band room, that's what we make. I don't think we have to prove anything." (BILLBOARD.COM)



Casting Call: "Gossip Girl" star Penn Badgley, left, will play late singer/songwriter Jeff Buckley in "Greetings From Tim Buckley." The film tells the true story of the days leading up to Buckley's 1991 appearance at a tribute concert for his father. Through a romance with a young woman working at the concert, he comes to understand the father who abandoned him, and his cathartic performance launches his career. (THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER)

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1 Blazing Saddles

Apparently, it's Western Wednesday, because the NoMa Summer Screen offering tonight is "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid," one of the best nouveau cowboy stories ever to hit the screen. Robert Redford, left, and Paul Newman, right, try to out-blue-eye each other in the story of two outlaws running from, well, everybody. **L Street between 2nd and 3rd streets NE; BBQ at 7 p.m. and movie (free) at 9; Nomabid.org. (New York Ave.)**

2 The Wild Frontier

Mary Doria Russell's "Doc" is the perfect example of genre fiction that doesn't deserve the ghetto into which we shove it. Yes, it's a Western — about the lives of Wyatt Earp and Doc Holliday — but Russell's prose is raw without being clichéd, and the book doesn't even get to the O.K. Corral. You can quiz Russell on historical facts when she speaks tonight. **Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW; 7 p.m., free; 202-364-1919, Politics-prose.com. (Van Ness)**

3 Every Day Is Sade



Operating smoothly since the '80s, the notoriously reclusive Sade can still sell albums despite what seems to be a total lack of interest in publicity. She'll come out of hiding for a concert tonight. John Legend is her "special guest," which we assume means they'll duet. That had better be what it means. **Verizon Center, 601 F St. NW; 7:30 p.m., \$53-\$153; 202-397-7328, Verizoncenter.com. (Gallery Place)**

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A father's relationship with his son is tested in 'Life on a Wire'

Reality

DSC 10:00 You can defy death, but don't cross Dad. That's the lesson of Discovery's "Life on a Wire," a new series set in the high-stakes world of acrobatics as practiced by the Wallenda family for seven generations.

In the pilot episode, young Nik plans to shatter several records by riding a bicycle and walking a remarkable distance between resort hotels — all on a high wire without a net. Most of "Wire" consists of the meticulous detail involved in planning these events.

As we're shown, repeatedly, Nik's Great-Grandfather Karl was killed in a similar stunt in



Nik Wallenda, shown, is the latest in his family's seven generations of acrobats.

1978. This sad memory and natural generational tension lead Nik to spar frequently with his father, Terry.

Nobody can doubt that the Wallendas are true originals. But "Life on a Wire" borrows from many other reality series and echoes familiar themes and lessons. The science-based prep work is not unlike "MythBusters." The battles

between Nik and Terry would not be unfamiliar to fans of the Teutuls of "American Choppers" fame — at least, before the lawsuit.

"Life on a Wire" continues reality TV's focus on tight, supportive and slightly suffocating families, many of which ended up cracking under the pressure and glare of production and publicity.

KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNIVERSAL UCLICK)

Best Bets



Modern Family Cameron's (Eric Stonestreet, left) mother, Barb Tucker (guest star Celia Weston) makes Mitchell uncomfortable with her touchy-feely ways, but he's not sure how to tell Cameron that. After Haley breaks up with Dylan, Phil tries to cheer him up, with disastrous results. Gloria fears the worst when Jay gets a stomachache in the repeat, "Mother Tucker."

PBS 9:00

NOVA Just a few days after the 17th anniversary of the space shuttle Challenger disaster, her sister ship the Columbia disintegrated while re-entering the Earth's atmosphere, killing all seven crew members. "Space Shuttle Disaster" revisits that day with disturbing insights.

BRAVO 10:00



Rocco's Dinner Party The chefs competing are flying blind: They don't know the identity of the special dinner guest of Rocco DiSpirito, shown. He has told them a few things about the person's interests, which they must incorporate into the meal.

TNT 10:00

Men of a Certain Age Complications arise in Joe's (Ray Romano) friendship with Manfro. Owen makes an addition to the dealership: hidden cameras. Things don't go as planned on Terry's (Scott Bakula) date night. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)

Comedy



A Woman's Issues

If you've been in the news, you're in Kathy Griffin's sights in her new stand-up special, "Gurrl Down!" (9 p.m., Bravo), which was taped at Boston's Wilbur Theatre. The two-time Emmy winner and self-described D-lister offers her tart-tongued thoughts on such political figures as Sarah Palin and Michele Bachmann, and showbiz figures including Charlie Sheen, Kirstie Alley and those Real Housewives. (TM)

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The Navigator

It looked like a lost cause.

Betty van Iersel had prepaid \$3,900 for an all-inclusive seven-day French canal tour on the barge Luciole. But two weeks after she'd wired the money to the cruise line, a financial emergency forced her to cancel.

But Luciole's owners refused to return her money, citing their refund policy. Her travel agency, Annapolis, Md.-based Special Places Travel, told her that she could only get her money back if her cabin was resold. And that seemed like a remote possibility.

"I can't afford to lose this money," van Iersel wrote to me. "Do I have any options?"

An increasing number of cases that cross my desk look like van Iersel's: Because of a policy or rule — not always clearly disclosed — a favorable resolution looks improbable. Though each case is different, they could have been completely avoided with a few simple preventive steps.

Don't wait until you're home to ask a travel company to make something right. For van Iersel, standard travel insurance wouldn't have addressed her troubles, although a slightly more expensive "cancel for



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I would never recommend paying with anything but a credit card. Nothing could compel me to wire anyone \$3,900, unless maybe they were holding one of my children hostage.

any reason" policy may have allowed her to recover part of her ticket. Nor did using a travel agent protect her from the Luciole's restrictive refund policy. But it gave her an advocate in dealing with the cruise company.

She might have avoided her problem by carefully reviewing the cruise line's policies and paying by credit card. Many cruise lines offer either a full or partial refund as long as you cancel with enough advance notice.

Also, I would never recommend paying with anything but a credit card. Nothing could compel me to wire anyone \$3,900, unless maybe they were holding one of my children hostage.

I had a lengthy conversation with van Iersel's travel agent, who reiterated the Luciole's policy. I got the impression that a refund was all but out of the question, because her cruise was only a few weeks away. But a few days later, I heard that the cabin had been sold and a refund was being processed.

"I am off the hook," van Iersel told me.

I love a happy ending. **CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT (THE WASHINGTON POST)**

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A Big Slice of Americana

An Archives exhibit chews on how the government tries to influence what we eat

Last month, the USDA replaced its longtime food pyramid with a graphic of a plate divided into what-you-should-eat-daily sections. The heavy-on-fruits-and-veggies illustration (Myplate.gov) was just the latest volley in a centuries-long attempt by the Feds to influence what's on your fork.

The National Archives' new exhibit "What's Cooking, Uncle Sam?" showcases more than two centuries' worth of documents, photos and artifacts related to government efforts to make citizens eat more veggies, to keep them from being poisoned by tainted meat and to urge them to plant "victory gardens" to help with WWII rationing.

"Given our current fascination with food safety and nutrition, I thought it would be interesting to look at the government's role in affecting what we eat," says exhibit curator Alice Kamps.

One poster asks "Little Americans" to do their bit for the war effort by eating corn and rice to "Save the Wheat for our Soldiers."

By dipping into multiple aspects of culinary culture — farming, production, home cooking — the exhibit shows how everything from public safety to what's in your cart at Whole Foods may be rooted in federal programs.

One black-and-white photo depicts early agricultural explorer Frank N. Meyer out in the field



Government posters from the 20th century promote eating doughnuts for vitamins (huh?), chowing on multiple food groups for health and planting veggies to help war efforts.

American Eating

Take a Bite of History

In conjunction with the "What's Cooking, Uncle Sam?" exhibit, the project's culinary adviser, recent James Beard award winner José Andres, opens the America Eats Tavern (405 8th St. NW; Thinkfoodgroup.com) on the July Fourth weekend in the space formerly occupied by his Café Atlantico. The pop-up restaurant serves continental classics drawn from the exhibit's official cookbook, "Eating With Uncle Sam" (\$23, D Giles Ltd), such as oysters Rockefeller and bur-goo (a spicy stew from Kentucky that used whatever meat was on hand). "I wish I could use squirrel, but I can't," Andres says. He aims to distill several hundred years of stateside sustenance into a digestible history lesson. "A country is like a delta; things build up and evolve," he says. "In this information age, everything happens very quickly, and people get lost in the noise. This restaurant and this exhibit are going to cancel out the noises that don't belong and show off where American cuisine has been." N.M.



in the early 20th century. Aided by the Office of Foreign Seed and Plant Introduction, this intrepid foodie traveled around the globe to gather hundreds of plants — including now-familiar Meyer lemons and apricots — and replant them on U.S. soil.

The FDA labeling and meat recalls of today trace their roots to reforms that started in the late 19th century. The exhibit documents this, sometimes to shocking effect, with items such as a tiny notebook from the late 1890s in which a chemist documented his findings on tainted sweets. "The candy killed a little girl, and two others got sick," Kamps says. "It made me realize how personal this investigation must have become for these people." After outbreaks like this, the Pure Food and Drugs Act and Meat Inspection Act of 1906 was created, which helped protect consumers from fatal foods.

Conflicts abroad used to mean government food rationing, illustrated by World War I-era posters urging Americans to "Eat More Cottage Cheese" to conserve meat or asking "Little Americans" to choose corn and rice to "Save the

Wheat for our Soldiers."

For gastronomically inclined political junkies, there are plenty of yummy artifacts pulled from the presidential archives, including Lady Bird Johnson's Pedernales River chili recipe — spiced up with comino seed (cumin), chili powder and "2-6 generous dashes of liquid hot sauce" plus her husband's "Hail to the Chef" barbecue apron.

There are menus for state dinners, too, including one the Kennedys hosted for Sudan's President Abboud in 1961, where the guests dined on classic French cuisine, including foie gras and bombe glacé coppelia (a spherical dessert made with layers of ice cream). There's even a memo prompting Richard Nixon to practice his chopstick skills before visiting China for the first time. In fact, this whole scrumptious show is a reminder that no matter who you are, Big Brother is always watching, well, at least what you eat.

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"Yes. Too many people in this country are sue-happy and want things given to them rather than working for it themselves. Want proof? Look at all the sense of entitlement these days as evidenced by all the social programs we have and the whole Robin Hood mentality."

COMMENTER COMMON KEVIN

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"A musician isn't truly a part of pop culture until he or she has been parodied by 'Weird Al' Yankovic, which is why we were so bummed when budding icon Lady Gaga seemed to be withholding her approval from what Al hoped would be his new album's lead single, 'Perform This Way.' Did she really have so little sense of humor about her outrageous outfits and persona that she couldn't take a gently satirical tribute?!"

— BUZZWORTHY.MTV.COM CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHY GAGA BEEFED WITH YANKOVIC OVER A MOCK VERSION OF HER SONG "BORN THIS WAY." GAGA EVENTUALLY RELENTED IN THE DISPUTE.



"If nothing else, it looks to be a good showcase for [Brad] Pitt's acting. ... It's too early to say, but this could be the mainstream studio Oscar pick to watch come the fall."

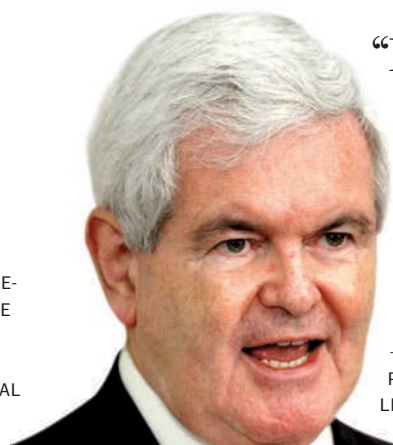
— BLOGS.INDIEWIRE.COM/THEPLAYLIST REACTS TO THE PREVIEW FOR "MONEYBALL," THE MOVIE ADAPTATION OF MICHAEL LEWIS' NONFICTION BOOK OF THE SAME NAME ABOUT OAKLAND A'S GENERAL MANAGER BILLY BEANE.

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"As far as mayoral traditions go, [Anthony] Williams' — appearing shirtless in public and leaping into a pool — may be the most unique among the nation's elected officials."

— WASHINGTONCITYPAPER.COM/BLOGS/CITYDESK MARKS ON TUESDAY THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LAST TIME D.C.'S THEN-MAYOR JUMPED INTO A POOL TO OPEN THE CITY'S POOLS FOR THE SUMMER.



"BREAKING: Newt Gingrich's maid, hairdresser, paperboy & gardener have resigned. No news yet on the guy who cleans his gutters."

— _CWN POKES FUN AT THE NEWS THAT THE REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE'S FINANCE TEAM QUIT TUESDAY, LESS THAN TWO WEEKS AFTER MULTIPLE TOP AIDES AND ADVISERS QUIT HIS CAMPAIGN.

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CANCER (June 21-July 22) You may feel strange sharing what you know over long-distance channels. Perhaps you can arrange to meet with someone in person.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Fortune has you straying far from home, perhaps, but you'll always have that special someone right there with you, no matter what.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It's time to put the practice equipment away and start engaging your competitors for real. Now is no time to do something halfway.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You may feel as though your friends are offering nothing but the same old tired advice — but one small piece of it may actually be pertinent.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You'll be excited by the possibilities ahead of you, but take care that you don't jump at a certain opportunity prematurely.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) What begins slowly and awkwardly is likely to become swift and, as much as possible, wholly natural, too.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your personal development at this time may be unusually swift. Make sure you're paying attention to all the signs.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) The physical world may not be cooperating with you at this time, but the weather, or other phenomena, may only be a convenient excuse.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Quality control may prove to be a central issue, but take care that you're not trying to improve things too much, too quickly.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) What you are striving for was only recently outside the realm of possibility, and others are quite excited that you are going for it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Take care that you don't inadvertently let the cat out of the bag. You must maintain secrecy — at least for a little while longer.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Progress may be slowed by someone who doesn't understand all that goes into a current endeavor. Make explanations short and sweet.

Scrabble Grams

PAR SCORE 155-165, BEST SCORE 229

A ₁	O ₁	H ₄	H ₄	W ₄	S ₁	G ₂

Double Word Score

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 RACK 1

A ₁	E ₁	T ₁	T ₁	P ₃	T ₁	M ₃

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 RACK 2

I ₁	O ₁	O ₁	T ₁	R ₁	H ₄	D ₂

1st Letter Triple

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 RACK 3

A ₁	I ₁	Y ₄	F ₄	N ₁	M ₃	G ₂

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 RACK 4

Yesterday's Solution

A ₁	M ₃	N ₁	E ₁	S ₁	T ₁	Y ₄
P ₃	O ₁	D ₂	I ₁	U ₁	M ₃	
F ₄	A ₁	S ₁	H ₄	I ₁	O ₁	N ₁
P ₃	U ₁	L ₁	S ₁	A ₁	T ₁	E ₁

 PAR SCORE 145-155

 RACK 1 = 86
 RACK 2 = 11
 RACK 3 = 63
 RACK 4 = 60
 TOTAL 220

FOUR RACK TOTAL

Make a 2-7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get a 50-point bonus. Blank tiles used as any letter have no point value. Scrabble is a trademark of Hasbro in the U.S. and Canada.

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		3	6					
9				1		8	3	
				4			1	9
		7				2	6	
3	8						4	5
	6	4				7		
4	7			8				
	5	8		2				1
					9	4		

Yesterday's Solution

9	2	7	1	5	8	4	6	3
6	3	1	2	4	9	7	5	8
5	8	4	6	7	3	2	9	1
8	9	5	7	1	6	3	2	4
1	7	6	3	2	4	5	8	9
2	4	3	8	9	5	6	1	7
3	1	9	4	6	2	8	7	5
7	6	8	5	3	1	9	4	2
4	5	2	9	8	7	1	3	6

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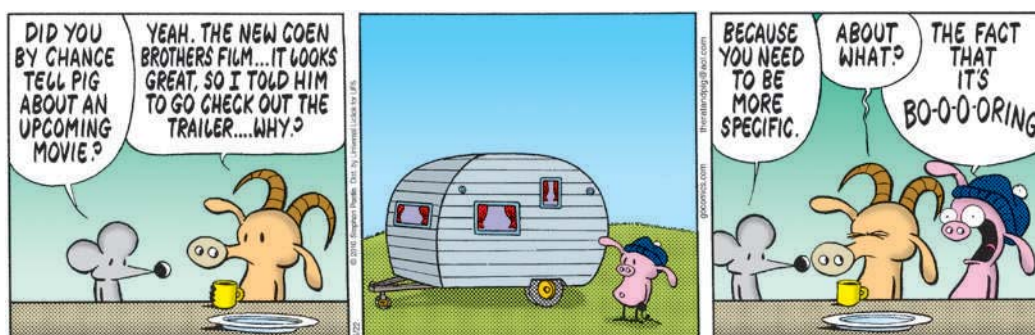
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Forecast


91 | 75

Today: Hot and humid, a thunderstorm this afternoon. A thunderstorm tonight.


92 | 71

Tomorrow: A couple of thunderstorms around tomorrow and tomorrow night.

Looking Ahead



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SAT



SUN

89 | 71 86 | 69 86 | 67

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today: 5:43 a.m.
 Sunset today: 8:37 p.m.
 Moonrise today: 12:11 a.m.
 Moonset today: 12:34 p.m.

Almanac

Normal high: 85
 Record high: 98
 Normal low: 66
 Record low: 51

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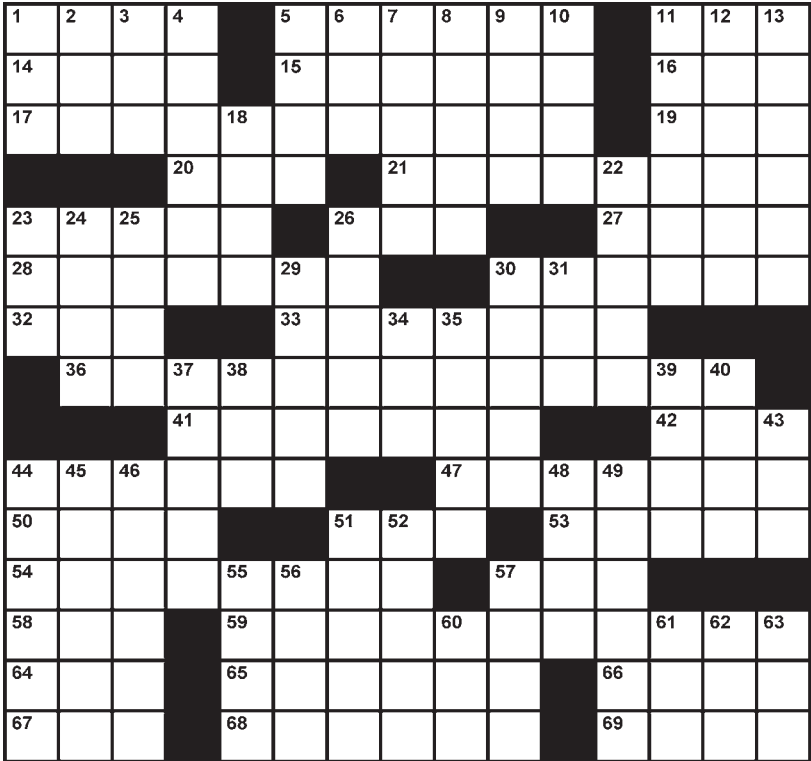
WINE SERVINGS

ACROSS

- 1 Toot one's own horn
5 Rolls for lox
11 Not a solid or liquid
14 Bank (on)
15 Slow tempo
16 Fury
17 At someone's mercy
19 Maker of the 5-Series auto
20 Relative of quads and delts
21 Flexible
23 One of the senses
26 Bon ____ (witticism)
27 Opposite of a lazybones
28 Official pardon
30 Daredevil displays
32 It can constrict
33 Moral
36 Kissing game
41 Boat rowers
42 Hail, to Horace
44 Yellowish-brown
47 Adds bubbles to
50 Wrinkly Jamaican fruit
51 Leg, in old slang
53 Customers
54 Idleness
57 "Don't get ____ ideas"
58 Day care visitor
59 Sharp shards
64 Bauxite, for one
65 Magic charm
66 Group of troops
67 Valentine's Day's signature color
68 Evaluators
69 "____ happy returns"

DOWN

- 1 Sis' counterpart
2 Prepare to drag
3 Hearty pub offering
4 Dance wildly
5 Affectionate Streisand nickname
6 Toothpaste tube
palindrome
7 Greta of the silver screen



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- 8 Marsh bird
9 Creditor's claim
10 Word after "going twice"
11 Small ape
12 Biceps band
13 They're under cities
18 Lincoln and Burrows
22 Young ____ (literary category)
23 What a sport picks up?
24 Old Testament book
25 Word with "decision" or "judgment"
26 Tales of the gods
29 Prefix meaning "four"
30 Big biscuit
31 Tit for ____
34 Border line?

- 35 Letter-shaped skyscraper support
37 Greek column style
38 One of the Bobbseys
39 In need of a hall pass, perhaps
40 Next-to-last word in many fairy tales
43 Tee neighbor?
44 Bouquet bringer, perhaps
45 Pretend not to notice
46 Joyous
48 Ladder part
49 Place of refuge
51 Leave the house
52 Popular tattoo spot
55 Kind of ski lift
56 "____ la Douce"
57 Pesticide targets, at

- times
60 Suffix for "puppet"
61 ____ for effort
62 Idolatry, for one
63 Where pigs wallow

Yesterday's Solution



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1944 President Franklin D. Roosevelt signs the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, more popularly known as the "GI Bill of Rights."

1981 Mark David Chapman pleads guilty to killing rock star John Lennon.

2010 South Africa becomes the first host nation not to advance in 80 years of World Cup play.

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APOLOGIES

Tina Fey Preps Story Lines For New '30 Rock' Season

Tracy Morgan delivered a personal apology Tuesday to audience members in Nashville, Tenn., who were offended by his anti-gay remarks during a stand-up routine earlier this month. The comedian met with gay rights advocates and attendees of the show. "I don't have a hateful bone in my body," Morgan said. It was Morgan's second public apology since the June 3 show. (AP)



RESOLUTIONS

Settlement Involves Zach Galifianakis, a Monkey

The tattoo artist who sued over Ed Helms' tattoo in "The Hangover Part II" has settled his lawsuit over the design. A Warner Bros. rep said Monday that the studio and S. Victor Whitmill have amicably resolved their dispute. In the movie, Helms' character wakes up in a bathtub with a facial tattoo, which Whitmill claimed ripped off the design he tattooed on Tyson in 2003. (AP)



Circle the differences between Mike Tyson's tattoo, right, and Ed Helms'.

Victims

**'Take This Ring to Remember Me By'**

Crystal Harris tried to return the \$90,000 engagement ring Hugh Hefner gave her, but the 85-year-old Playboy mogul told her she could keep it, along with the Bentley Hefner gave her as a gift. "It was the right thing to do," Harris told Radaronline.com, on her effort to return the jewelry. Harris did, however, return Hefner's dog, Charlie. (EXPRESS)



A mystery remains: Is either of these two people actually Amy Winehouse?

MELTDOWNS

A Day in the Life

Troubled diva Amy Winehouse has canceled the rest of her European summer concert tour and scrapped all public performances after an embarrassing appearance in Serbia. Winehouse's show on Saturday in Belgrade kicked off what was supposed to be a 12-stop European tour. But she was jeered and booed as she stumbled around the stage, unable to remember the lyrics to her songs. Serbian media called the concert a "scandal," with the Blic daily labeling it "the worst in the history of Belgrade." (AP)



REGRETS

Film Critic Backpedals From Insensitive Comment

Roger Ebert wrote Tuesday that he should have hesitated before tweeting about the death of "Jackass" star Ryan Dunn, a message that prompted an angry backlash. Referring to a photo Dunn posted on Twitter early Monday, in which he is seen drinking hours before the 3 a.m. crash that took his life, Ebert tweeted: "Friends don't let jackasses drink and drive." (AP)

"Criticism is one thing; then there's public name-calling, which turns into high school bashing. Which you can't do. She ... [bad-mouthed] our captain."



— SHIA LABEOUF, ON COMMENTS BY EX-"TRANSFORMERS" STAR MEGAN FOX COMPARING THE SERIES' DIRECTOR, MICHAEL BAY, TO ADOLF HITLER.

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